

# LAST EDITION.

## HIS DAUGHTERS SOLD.

Charles C. Burns's Grave Charges  
Against His Wife.

His Story Told in a Williamsburg  
Police Court.

Says When He Remonstrated His  
Son Struck Him on the Head.

Charles C. Burns, of 380 Grand street, Williamsburg, in the Lee Avenue Court today told a very sensational story, accusing his wife of selling their three daughters to men. The girls are Kitty, Marie and Bella, aged respectively 10, 18 and 16 years.

The immediate occasion of his being in court was to complain against his son, Charles F. Burns, who, he alleged, struck him on the head with a blunt instrument Sunday night when the father remonstrated with Mrs. Burns for her course with her daughters.

Burns told the clerk of the court when he applied for the warrant that his wife did not deny to him that she had done what he charged, but alleged in excuse that he failed to support her properly. He told the most aggrieved in the case of his youngest daughter, Bella, for whom, he alleged, his wife received a gold watch and chain. The girl is very pretty and well developed for her age.

The girls, with their mother, were present in court today at the examination of their brother, and all denied the statement of their father in toto. Kitty, the eldest, declared that her father was a drunkard. The charge of assault against young Burns was adjourned for trial and he was held in bail.

In support of his charges against his wife Burns produced the following letter to his daughter Kitty, which is said to be written by a prominent business man of New York. The handwriting is excellent, and the writer is evidently a person of culture:

Dear Kitty: I have been thinking from Mr. Burns that you and Bella were in to see him and Charles for me. I am sure you will not be later in the evening. As usual, you called me when you are in New York, you can do so and I will be glad to hear from you.

If you have no objection with call on me at your residence, I will be glad to see you. The girls were taken to the court at 10 o'clock. The girls were taken to the court at 10 o'clock. The girls were taken to the court at 10 o'clock.

Miss Kitty admitted in court that she received the foregoing letter, but would make no explanation of it. She said she was a laborer, but has done no work for three months. His son is also a laborer about 22 years old.

The charges of the father will be fully investigated.

## BOYS ROBBED A CHURCH.

Entered Through a Skylight and  
Stole Offerings to the Faithful.

Joseph Cella, fifteen years old, of 123 Baxter street, was held in the Tombs Court today for trial on a charge of having broken into and robbed the Roman Catholic Church of St. Michael at 113 Baxter street, yesterday morning.

The prisoner, when arrested, confessed to the robbery. He said that he and another boy, named Charles Cavanaugh, broke into the church through the skylight at about 10 A.M. Their object was to obtain the offerings of jewels and keepsakes by the parishioners upon the altar of the saints. The boys knew that they were kept in a small casket, which they easily located, and had no difficulty in opening. Securing a complete blockade of the altar, they took out the offerings and stole a quantity of jewelry, including a pair of earrings for \$6. Five pairs of earrings and four rings were found in Cella's pockets when he was arrested. The total value of the stolen articles was fixed at \$25.

Young Cella's father is the President of the Society of the Holy Family of St. Michael, and is said to be almost prostrated at the revelation of his son's crime. The police are searching for Cella's accomplice.

## PUGET SOUND'S DELUGE.

Northern Pacific Sends the First  
Train East For Four Days.

SEATTLE, Nov. 22.—The steady downpour of rain since dusk yesterday, with a falling barometer, gives but little encouragement of an abatement of the deluge for a day or more, and many fear the worst is yet to come. There is still almost a complete blockade of railroad communication. The damage done to railroads and farms thus far aggregates \$300,000.

TACOMA, Nov. 22.—It is still raining hard, and railroad officials fear the worst of what is yet to come. The first train to go east for four days left Tacoma last night for St. Paul on the Northern Pacific. The overland passenger train from Ellensburg this morning brings mail and passengers of four overland trains that have been held at Ellensburg.

A train has passed between Tacoma and Seattle since Sunday night. The line may be opened this afternoon.

On Friday a party, consisting of Prof. Gagliardi, his wife, and two sons, Miss Thompson, aged twenty-two, all natives, started from Everett for Marysville, Wash., in a yacht. With them was a sailor, and it is supposed were drowned.

## MARGARET MATHER OWNS UP.

Admits Her Marriage and Will  
Disband Her Company.

DENVER, Nov. 22.—Margaret Mather, the actress, who opened a week's engagement at the Broadway Theatre, in this city, last night, has publicly acknowledged her marriage to the artist, J. H. Mather.

She will retire from the stage Dec. 10 at Des Moines, Iowa, having conceived her other engagements and disbanded her company.

## In a Repulsive Hand.

Therston, N. J., Nov. 22.—Chancellor McGuff has appointed A. J. Westinghouse, of Trenton, receiver for the Deane Bank. Deane is a company of this city.

## THE PANAMA CANAL SCANDAL.

Arrangements for the Chamber of  
Deputies' Investigation.

M. de Lesseps and Others Charged  
with Fraudulent Tactics.

PARIS, Nov. 22.—At a plenary meeting of the Chamber of Deputies today it was decided that the Commission to inquire into the affairs of the Panama Canal Company shall consist of twenty-three Republicans, nine Conservatives and one Boulangist.

The summons issued to M. de Lesseps and the other defendants charge them with having by means of fraudulent tactics and with the view to inducing belief in the existence of a commercial enterprise and imaginary credit, dissipated money raised by means of stocks issued to them for a determined use, thus swindling others out of their fortunes.

The proceedings on Friday will be brief, the President of the Commission merely calling the names of the accused.

It is reported this afternoon that M. de Lesseps is seriously ill.

The newspapers concur in the opinion that a Parliamentary inquiry is absolutely indispensable.

## KAISER AND ARMY BILL.

Wilhelm Trusts to German Patriotism  
to Bear Fresh Burdens.

BERLIN, Nov. 22.—Great interest has been manifested throughout Germany in the speech that the Emperor would make in opening the Reichstag to-day, and what His Majesty would have to say concerning the Army bill and other National matters.

The ceremony of opening the session took place in the Knights' Hall of the Royal Palace and was performed with the utmost pomp and splendor.

The Emperor referred to Germany's friendly relations with the powers and his hope that Germany will not be disturbed in her peaceful endeavor to promote her ideal economic interests.

"At the same time," said he, "the development of the military power of other European States imposes on us the serious, nay, imperative duty of strengthening the defensive capacity of the Empire by thoroughgoing measures."

His Majesty held that it was only by carrying out the tried principles of universal military service that the Empire might expect those qualities in its army on which its strength and glory are based, and he assumed to believe that the patriotism of the nation will be ready to assume the burdens that must be borne for the honor and security of the Fatherland. Said he:

"I order to lighten these burdens as far as possible the period of service in the army will be reduced to the extreme limit, which, from a military point of view, can be conceded. At the same time a more extended training and the employment of younger men for the military service will not only lessen the economic military disadvantages arising from the older class of men being called to serve."

The Kaiser said: "In order to enable the Federal States to make budgetary provision for the means required to strengthen the army it becomes necessary to open up new sources of revenue. With this object bills will be placed before the Reichstag for the further taxation of beer and tobacco, and also for the further taxation of horse transactions."

## NEW ORLEANS MURDER MYSTERY.

Longshoreman Shot in the Street by  
a Well-Dressed Man.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 22.—Scott Bailey, a longshoreman, was mysteriously murdered last night within a square of the Second Police Station.

He was seen in conversation with a well-dressed man on Charles street, near Toulouse street, opposite a cheap lodging-house, and suddenly a shot was fired and the well-dressed individual was observed to escape around a corner.

He was pursued without success. No cause is assigned for the murder.

## NOVEL DEVICE OF SHOPLIFTERS.

Two Men Arrested in Chicago Said  
to Be Well Known on the Stage.

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—James Jones and Frank Smith, two shoplifters, just arrested, carried between them a pasteboard box about two feet long and ten inches square. At the top of the box was arranged a lid to the hinges of which was fixed a spring. A very small amount of weight, placed on the lid, would cause it to go down, showing anything placed on top of it to fall into the box. It would thus be impossible for the thief to be detected by the theatrical profession, and are well known as female impersonators.

## GEN. SEWELL'S DAUGHTER.

Married To-Day to a Son of Ex-Secretary Bore.

CAMPDEN, N. J., Nov. 22.—At 11 o'clock today Miss Helen, daughter of Gen. Sewell, was married in St. Paul's Church to Charles Louis Bore, son of Adolph Bore, who was Secretary of the Navy under President Grant.

The ceremony was performed by Bishop Scobee, assisted by the Rev. Thomas E. Tibbitts. There were many prominent guests present.

## JOHN RADFORD'S SUICIDE.

Found Dead with a Revolver Clamped  
in His Hand.

John Radford, a painter, forty-nine years old, was found dead in the dining-room of his residence, 200 West One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, early this morning.

He had shot himself through the right temple with a revolver, which was clamped in his right hand.

Mr. Girov and Party at San Diego.

## POTED A BURGLAR.

Mr. Ford, at Bensonhurst, Shoots  
an Armed Thief Four Times.

Cool Mrs. Ford Helps Dress the  
Wounds Her Husband Made.

Two Burglars Caught Ransacking the  
House, but One Escaped.

One of a pair of burglars who entered the house at Bensonhurst, L. I., of William G. Ford, a surveyor, who has an office at 54 Wall street, is in Fort Hamilton Jail today, with four bullets in his head and body. His companion is still at large, having in his possession, it is supposed, \$500 and a gold watch belonging to Mr. Ford.

Between 2 and 3 o'clock this morning Mr. Ford, whose house is at Twenty-second avenue, Bensonhurst, was awakened by a noise in the adjoining room. He suspected that there were burglars in the house, and awakened Mrs. Ford, telling her he was going to the next room for a moment. He took a big revolver with him, and, thrusting his head through the door, inquired "Is that you, Maggie?"

A voice answered "Yes," the speaker trying to disguise his tones.

Mr. Ford entered the room and the intruder ran through another door leading into the hallway. Mr. Ford followed, and as he reached the hallway saw the man at the bottom of the stairs.

Mr. Ford fired a shot at him, which he subsequently learned took effect in the burglar's thigh. The latter ran into the parlor and Ford followed, firing several shots as he went.

When Mr. Ford got into the parlor the burglar was standing in the corner facing Mr. Ford, who covered him with a revolver. The thief also had a pistol, but he did not fire.

Mrs. Ford in the meantime came downstairs with a lamp in one hand and a loaded revolver in the other. She saw the burglar on the table, and standing behind Mr. Ford, covered the burglar with her revolver.

For a moment the three stood facing each other, and then the burglar sank to the floor groaning.

He was disarmed by Mr. and Mrs. Ford. Then, notwithstanding the fact that he was a burglar, Mr. and Mrs. Ford led the wounded man upstairs, supporting him on either side, and made him as comfortable as possible.

The thief told them it was his first offense, declaring that he would not have shot any body, and that only carried the revolver for the purpose of intimidating any one who interfered with him.

He said that another man who was with him might have done so, for the burglar had enticed him over to Bensonhurst.

Mrs. Ford, not knowing how many confederates he might have outside the house, went out on the balcony and screamed or help. Mr. Sherwood, a neighbor who lives next door to Mr. Ford, heard the cry, and, another neighbor, also arrived, and they then began an examination of the man's wounds and found that they were not apparently dangerous.

Mr. Benson, another neighbor, came in later and sent word to the Town Hall for Policeman Clynch, who took the burglar to the hospital.

At the same time the burglar was questioned about the affair and asked if he would have shot Mr. Ford, and he replied that he might have done so, for he knew when Ford's revolver was empty, but seeing Mrs. Ford behind her husband and appearing to be armed, he did not dare.

Shortly after the burglar was taken from the house it was discovered that a portiere had been cut on fire from a pistol shot and was smoldering. The fire was quickly extinguished without causing much damage.

He is believed that this burglar is one of a gang of thieves who entered the house of Mrs. L. J. Benson, at 100 West Twenty-second street, last night, and were found packed up ready for removal, and Mr. Ford's watch and \$500 in bills were stolen from him.

The burglar captured was wounded in the head, in the hand, in the thigh and in the abdomen. Physicians say that he will probably die. He was taken to the hospital and brought into court here he will have an examination before Justice Church, of New Utrecht.

## FOUND HER BABY HANGING.

Strangled to Death by the Straps of  
a Baby Carriage.

A terrible tragedy occurred at 9:30 this forenoon in the tenement at 320 East One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street.

Mrs. Katharine Callahan, twenty-four years old, went out of her apartments for a few moments, leaving her eleven-months-old baby James asleep in a baby carriage, into which she had placed him.

When she returned she was horrified to find the child hanging by the neck, evidently having awakened, and while trying to get out of the carriage, the strap caught around his neck. The baby had been strangled to death.

The mother, frantic with grief and terror, then jumped out of the window down to the street.

Mrs. Callahan was terribly injured about the head, and also fractured her left leg. She was removed to Harlem Hospital.

James Callahan, the husband, is a laborer and was absent at his work at the time of the tragedy.

The coroner was notified of the death of the child.

## CAPT. HUTTON'S COURT MARTIAL.

He Struck a Post Trader and Then  
Refused to Obey a Lieutenant.

OMAHA, Nov. 22.—The court martial trial of Capt. James A. Hutton, of the Eighth Infantry, charged with disobedience of orders and conduct unbecoming an officer, opened at Fort Robinson to-day.

Capt. Hutton, while intoxicated, quarrelled with the post trader, Ben Haddock, a nephew of Senator Haddock and a son of Major W. J. Haddock, and broke a billiard cue over Haddock's head.

He was ordered to his quarters under arrest, but he was allowed to go. Hutton has borne a fine military reputation, and has been very popular.

## Order of Amities Assigns.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 22.—The Order of Amities, a benevolent organization, assigned yesterday to its son, Francis J. Gallagher, of Philadelphia. The step was taken to publicize the case, which was held in the court of the city.

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## Campers Coast in Glenoson's Town.

Candidates for office in Long Island City  
flood bills of their election expenses with City.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 22.—Health officer Yeaz yesterday reported 77 new cases of diphtheria in forty-eight hours. Last week 107 cases and 22 deaths were returned, and in 2,000 to 2,500 cases, but at present, there are only about 1,200, including a number in New York and Chicago.

## MURDER IN HARLEM.

A Handsome Mulatto Found with  
Her Skull Crushed.

Bristow, Her Former Lover, Ar-  
rested and Remanded.

His Hat and a Granite Block Found  
Under the Bed.

The police are hard at work on what was apparently a murder in Harlem.

At noon yesterday Dr. Henderson, a colored doctor who lives at 295 East One Hundred and Third street, went to the Twenty-second Precinct Police Station and told Capt. Schmittberger that he had just been called to the house of a woman who had died suddenly.

He had pronounced the case "heart failure," but thought best to report the matter to the police.

Detective Farley was immediately sent to the place, and there found Ida E. Jackson, thirty-eight years old, a handsome mulatto, lying dead in her bed.

Her two small children were lying by her side and crying violently at their inability to awaken their mother.

The woman's heart had failed but only after she had received an ugly wound on the top of her head from a blunt instrument that had laid the skull open, disclosing the brain.

The detective searched the bed and found between the mattresses a granite rock the size and shape of a goose egg, done up in a piece of handkerchief.

He also found a light coat felt hat which was identical as belonging to Thomas Bristow, a mulatto, thirty-one years old, who is the father of the woman's illegitimate child, and who formerly lived with her, though more recently he has only visited her occasionally.

The police ascertained that Bristow was living in a lodging-house at 1077 Third avenue, and that he was returning home at about 12:30 this morning.

The man expressed the greatest surprise when told that the woman had been killed and professed his innocence of the crime.

The police learned that Sunday Bristow and the Jackson woman were found quarreling at the corner of Third and Third and Third streets.

They were arrested and taken to the Thirty-fifth street station.

Bristow was very vicious and attempted to kick the woman when arrested. At the police-station it was disclosed that the quarrel arose over the fact that the woman was endeavoring to get Bristow to support his child.

They were discharged with a warning.

Bristow acknowledged that the hat found in his room was his, but explained its being there in this way:

After being quarreled from the station-house, he said he and the woman went to the Thirty-fourth street station of the Third avenue elevated line, and as he was about to step on the train the woman snatched his hat from his head, got on the train and rode on alone.

He said he did not go on with her, but went to the club at 100 West Twenty-eighth street. The number of this house he could not remember when pressed by the police.

Bristow was taken to the district house for trial this morning and remanded without bail until to-morrow morning.

He is a stout, well-built mulatto and wears good clothes. He is a carpet-cleaner by trade.

## WHITNEY OR MURPHY?

Mr. Cleveland Reported to Favor the  
Former for Senator.

The statement that President-elect Cleveland is trying to persuade ex-Secretary William C. Whitney to enter the race for United States Senator against Edward Murphy, Jr., furnished politicians with a fruitful topic of comment this morning.

It was said that a man from Troy had a clear field from the beginning, and his friends insist that he will be the caucus nominee.

As to the story that he will be the caucus nominee, Mr. Whitney matters may take a different turn.

## GOV. M'INLEY'S FATHER DYING.

Two Sons and Daughter-in-Law at the  
Sufferer's Bedside.

CANTON, O., Nov. 22.—William McKinley, Jr., is gradually sinking, and his condition of his legs is completely paralyzed. He bears his sufferings without complaint.

Gov. William McKinley and Abner McKinley, his sons, and Mrs. Gov. McKinley are at his bedside.

## FOR FORGING BLAINE'S NAME.

Carraway Held for the Grand Jury  
—Two of His Other Offenses.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—David L. Carraway, the pension officer, charged with forging the signature of Benjamin Harrison, was held in \$100,000 bonds to await the action of the Grand Jury.

Carraway has been charged with the forgery of the name of Representative John C. Hoak, of Tennessee, to two notes, and the cases will also be prosecuted.

## Tainted Sardine-Box Made Him Ill.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 22.—J. S. Sanford, advance agent of the Ellice Ellice Ellice, has been seriously ill through eating sardines out of a tainted tin box. He was unable to leave yesterday for his home in New York.

## Marquis di Rudini in Town.

Marquis Charles di Rudini, son of the ex-Premier of Italy, is a guest at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. The Marquis is on his way from Rome to Washington, where he is to be attached to the Italian Legation.

## Gilmore's Band Still Intact.

A telegram from Leader Reeves, of Gilmore's Band, dated at New York, Ind., declares that the band is intact and that the band will appear in this city Nov. 23 with funds unbroken.

## VOGEL BROTHERS.

of Broadway and Houston street, and the Avenue and 42d street, have of their own manufacture the largest variety of Men's and Boys' Overcoats and Suits, perfect fitting, correct styles, equal to the best custom work, at nearly half the price. Fashion catalogue sent free.

## HORSEWHIPPED HIM.

Mrs. Sheppard Took Vengeance  
on Manager Shackford.

He Gave Her a Black Eye with His  
Umbrella.

The Finale of an Unsuccessful Op-  
era Venture.

Charles Shackford, a theatrical manager who has made opera ventures, was a prisoner in the Jefferson Market Police Court this morning, the complainant being Mrs. Louise Sheppard, of 407 West Thirtieth street, who exhibited a badly swollen eye, where Shackford's umbrella had left its mark.

Shackford's face was lined with stripes where Mrs. Sheppard had laid a horsewhip across it.

The testimony showing that the woman was the aggressor, Shackford went free.

There is an interesting story behind the assault, as told by Mrs. Sheppard.

On April 29, she said, Shackford made a contract with May Sheppard, fifteen years of age, Mrs. Sheppard's niece, to sing in the chorus of his opera company for a season of thirty weeks at \$18 per week.

Shackford told an alluring story of his great successes, the size of his company and the unlimited capital at his disposal, and the girl was allowed to go.

Thirty-five other deluded mortals, she said, started out with the manager, and Oct. 3 the season opened at Norristown, Pa.

Bridgeport, Pa., and Frankford, a suburb of Philadelphia, where each played in one night, and then a Jacoby, Fairbank, at 7th and Arch streets, Philadelphia, was taken for an encore.

The run stopped in two weeks and in all the time, according to Mrs. Sheppard, not one of the chorus had received a penny for their services.

For a week the members of the company laid around Philadelphia, and Shackford finally persuaded them to go to Danville, Pa., under the promise that their salaries would be paid.

Yaleville added another to the failures, and Mrs. Sheppard said Shackford quietly stole away, leaving his baggage in the street for himself.

The people of the town came to their rescue and sent the woman on to Philadelphia, from which place the heading Italy gave them free transportation to this city.

The men walked.

Yaleville also came back last Friday with Mrs. Sheppard. She was afraid to go home and stopped over night in the Bryant Park Hotel.

Her aunt discovered her whereabouts, and leaving her story, laid for Shackford. She met him last night on Sixth avenue, between Thirtieth and Thirty-first street, in company with a woman with whom Mrs. Sheppard says he is living.

Mrs. Sheppard swore that she asked Shackford for the money due her niece, when with out further ado he laid her in the eye with the handle of his umbrella.

Mrs. Sheppard was accordingly discharged. She was whipped from a carriage standing near and without warning began lashing him about the face and head, in trying to ward off the blows, he struck her in the eye.

Policemen Rogers gathered in the entire crowd and took Mrs. Sheppard to the station-house, where she was held until she was released. She was taken to the station-house, where she was held until she was released.

Shackford is said to have a wife and six children living in Boston.

## CHARGE 50 CENTS FOR A DRINK.

Girard Refused to Pay and Will  
Be Tried for Cutting a Man's Face.

Martin Dowling, who keeps the saloon on the corner of Twenty-eighth street and Sixth avenue, has established a rule that all drinks to colored people shall be sold at the uniform price of 50 cents.

Last evening James Girard, an ex-waiter at Long Branch hotel, who recently arrived in the city, was served with a drink and refused to pay 50 cents demanded.

After a wordy war he and bartender John Murray were banging away at each other on the floor.

Murray finally got Girard down, when the latter, in a fit of rage, inflicted a frightful gash in the face of James Lydon, who intervened.

Whitehead held Mr. Girard in \$1,000 bail for trial.

## PAID CAB FARE IN COURT.

Mrs. Forter Also Contributed a \$10  
Fine for Her Delay.

Mrs. Milla Forter paid a \$10 fine, as well as a bill for a cab fare, in Jefferson Market Court this morning. Last evening she came into the court room at the Hoffman House and ordered a cab. John Farrah responded, and after driving his fare to twenty different places in three hours without any apparent result, he asked for his money.

The woman refused to settle and the cabman called Policeman Miller, who took the errand Mrs. Forter to the Thirtieth street station and locked her up.

## NAVAL RESERVE WANTS A SHIP.

Has the City a Right to Fit Up  
One?

Corporation Counsel Clark has been asked by the Armory Board for an opinion as to whether the city has a right to fit up a ship for the use of the Naval Reserve.

It is understood that the War Department is willing to place the old school ship New Hampshire at the disposal of the city. At present the Naval Reserve has no permanent quarters.

## Opened Veins in His Wrist.

Batholomew Ahern, forty-seven years of age, of 219 East Thirtieth street, attempted suicide at 4:45 this morning by putting his wrist with a razor at his brother's house, 174 East Thirtieth street. Friday he was taken to the hospital.

## The Brewing and Bottling of Beer.

By Schaefer Beer Co. conceded to perfection.

## W. W. ASTOR'S MIND.

Rumor in London Says It Has  
Been Affected.

An Intimate Friend of the Family  
Denies the Report.

Also Denied that Mr. Astor Cabled  
News of His Own Death.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—A rumor has been doing here for the past day or two to the effect that William Waldorf Astor, the immensely wealthy New Yorker, is suffering from a mental affection.

It has also been rumored, in this connection, that Mr. Astor almost as the mysterious person who on Nov. 11 last, sent a telegram signed "Clement" to the office of Mr. Abner Bartlett, New York manager of the Astor estate, stating that Mr. William Waldorf Astor was dead and that Mr. Bartlett should have death notices inserted in the newspapers.

Some of Mr. Waldorf Astor's acts during the past three months had, it was alleged, afforded confirmation for the belief that he was not all right. It was known that he had since his experience of last July surrounded his movements with even more mystery than formerly. In fact, his dislike for publicity became almost morbid.

He issued imperative instructions to his wife and to all his servants and employees, and also to the clerks in his business office, not to answer questions from any one connected with the press, on pain of summary dismissal.

These injunctions were obeyed so literally that when the Associated Press representative went to Mr. Astor's London residence to inquire about the rumors Agent Adams and others were afraid to make any reply to the questions, even so far as saying whether Mr. Astor was or was not in town.

However, the Associated Press correspondent who had been in London for some time by an intimate and reliable friend of Mr. Astor, that there is no truth in the report that Mr. William Waldorf Astor's mind is affected.

On the contrary, Mr. Astor is reported to have completely recovered and to be in better health than before his sickness.

Mr. Astor returned to town a few weeks ago from Scotland, where he had made a long sojourn. He made several trips about town, transacted business and saw several of his friends, none of whom noticed the slightest peculiarity in his actions.

On Saturday Mr. Astor, with his wife, spent the day in the country, looking at a house which they think of renting for the winter. They returned to Victoria station at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Mr. Astor is at home to-day and is reported to be quite well.

Investigation shows that that part of the story which implies that it was Mr. Astor himself who sent the notices of his death is also incorrect. On July 11, the day when the false cablegram was sent, Mr. Astor was confined to his room and saw nobody but his wife, his doctor and his valet. Mrs. Astor said only a few days ago that they had not yet solved the mystery as to who had sent the cablegram.

The Astors have always lived a peculiar life here. They know very few people and live in solitary state at Lansdowne house.

The Chronicle at the end of last week had an account of a dinner party which Mr. Astor had just given at Lansdowne house.

At the office of Peabody, Baker & Peabody, attorneys for W. W. Astor, the report that Mr. Astor was mentally unbalanced was denied.

"Mr. Astor has entirely regained his health and is sound mentally and physically. As to the story that he sent a cable to his mother, why that is saying he's a greater joke than Schröder."

We know pretty well who wrote that cable notice announcing Mr. Astor's death, and it was not Mr. Astor.

## CHINESE CAPITAL INTIMIDATED.

Traders to Withdraw Their Invest-  
ments—Exodus of Celestials.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—A wealthy Chinese merchant, speaking of the expected closing out of the large Chinese houses, said that the firms in China, which have been backing the large Chinese houses here, had become alarmed at the anti-Chinese agitation in this country and had concluded to withdraw their capital invested here.

It is generally known that the Chinese population on the Pacific coast in the past year had decreased one-third, and that not a steamer had sailed from San Francisco for China since the 1st of September. It is estimated that the Chinese population here had not taken from 300 to 500 Chinese, an average of less than fifty are on steamers that arrive.

## KICKING A WOMAN.

Charge on Which a Jersey City Man  
Is Locked Up in New York.

William A. Steele, an iron moulder of Jersey City Heights, was held to-day, in Essex Market Court, to await the result of the injuries of Annie Sodel, of 83 Chrystie street, whom Steele is charged with having beaten and kicked, injuring her seriously. She is in Governor Hospital.

The couple were drinking together, it is alleged, at 4 o'clock this morning, in a saloon at the Bowery and Bayard street. Steele is said to have accused Sodel of adultery, and she made his companion angry, and she slapped his face. They went out on the sidewalk, where the couple again quarrelled, and he took place. Steele is a married man.

## BEATEN WITH A BOTTLE.

A Sailor's Charge Against Saloon-  
Keeper Farrell.

Thomas Farrell, proprietor of the saloon at 84 Roosevelt street, was held in \$500 for examination in the Tombs Court today on a charge of felonious assault.

Louis Peterson, a sailor, accused Farrell of striking him on the head with a whiskey bottle, laying open the scalp in several places and rendering him unconscious. Peterson was made his companion angry, and she slapped his face. They went out on the sidewalk, where the couple again quarrelled, and he took place. Steele is a married man.

## TRUMPBOUR GETS FIVE YEARS.

Perjured Ex-Officer of Ulster Coun-  
ty's Wrecked Bank.

KINGSTON, Nov. 22.—Matthew T. Trumpbour, who was the Assistant Treasurer of the wrecked Ulster County Savings Institution, was this morning sentenced to five years imprisonment at Dannemora by Judge Furman.

Trumpbour was found guilty of perjury last week.

## Soldier Suicide Identified.

The soldier who committed suicide at Barle's Hotel last Thursday has been identified as Sergeant Maurice Morgan, reputed to have deserted from Fort Schuyler, for whom the military authorities have been looking. He was thirty-five years old. His body will be buried in Calvary Cemetery to-day.

## Ex-Lieutenant-Governor Convicted.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 22.—Ex-Lieut.-Gov. C. C. Antoine, the colored President of the State Senate under Kellogg, was convicted in the Criminal Court last night of embezzling \$500.

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